

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (original): An aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean.
2. (original): The aggregate of eyeballs according to claim 1, wherein the crustacean is krill or mysid.
3. (original): A method of using an aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean as a supply source of carotenoids, highly-unsaturated fatty acids and/or phospholipids.
4. (original): The method of using an aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean according to claim 3, wherein the aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean is subjected to a solvent extraction to thereby obtain a carotenoid-containing lipid.
5. (currently amended): The method of using an aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean according to claim 3-~~or~~4, wherein the crustacean is krill or mysid.
6. (original): A food or a nutritional supplement for furnishing carotenoids, highly-unsaturated fatty acids/or phospholipids, said food or said nutritional supplement comprising an aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean as it is or in a pulverized state.
7. (original): The food or the nutritional supplement according to claim 6, wherein the crustacean is krill or mysid.
8. (original): A process for producing an aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean comprising:
reducing a water content of the crustacean; and

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releasing the eyeballs from a fish body by physical impact, followed by recovering them.

9. (original): The process for producing an aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean according to claim 8, wherein the water content is reduced by heating.

10. (original): A process for producing an aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean comprising:

drying the crustacean by reducing a water content thereof to 15% or less by heating; and
subjecting the crustacean to vibrate on a sieve to thereby recover the eyeballs.

11. (original): A process for producing a highly-pure aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean comprising:

drying the crustacean by reducing a water content thereof to 15% or less by heating;
subjecting the crustacean to vibrate on a sieve, followed by recover the eyeballs; and
removing a foreign matter other than the eyeballs with a wind grading machine or an inclined grading machine.

12. (currently amended): The process for producing a highly-pure aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean according to ~~any one of claims 8 to 11~~claim 8, wherein the crustacean is krill or mysid.

13. (new): The process for producing a highly-pure aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean according to claim 10, wherein the crustacean is krill or mysid

14. (new): The process for producing a highly-pure aggregate of eyeballs of a crustacean according to claim 11, wherein the crustacean is krill or mysid